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President
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Dear Sir:

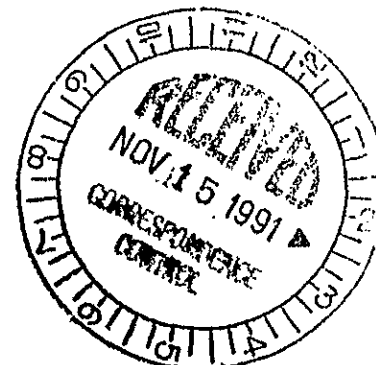
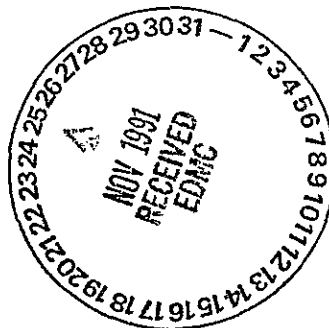
SINGLE SHELL TANK (SST) INTERIM STABILIZATION ACTIVITIES

- Reference:
- 1) Letter; R. E. Gerton, RL to T. M. Anderson, WHC, "Approval to Proceed with Interim Stabilization Activities," dated October 10, 1991.
 - 2) Tri-Party Agreement change M-05-91-1, INTERIM STABILIZATION MILESTONE CHANGES FOR FISCAL YEARS 1991- 1996, dated September 6, 1991.

Approval to resume interim stabilization activities in the 'BY' and 'C' tank farms was granted to Westinghouse Hanford Company (WHC) by the Department of Energy, Richland Field Office, (RL) on October 10, 1991. On October 11, 1991, stabilization pumping had been restarted on Tank 241-BY-102. This was a truly exemplary response by WHC. Unfortunately, since then, stabilization pumping has not been resumed on any additional tanks. It has now been nearly a month since stabilization was allowed to proceed, yet Tank BY-102 still remains the only tank in which this has been done.

RL recognizes that this stabilization effort must be performed carefully and correctly. However, it was RL's understanding, as stated in Reference 2, that all preparation work for interim stabilization had been completed, and the actual process of stabilization could be completed in forty-five days.

RL continues to be concerned by the lack of schedule discipline displayed in the management of the stabilization program. WHC is requested to develop a recovery schedule for stabilization activities which were planned to have been underway, and to provide weekly status of this schedule in the Operations Interface meetings (on Fridays), and a monthly progress review in the Performance Review meetings.



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If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Guy E. Bishop of my staff on 373-2113.

Sincerely,


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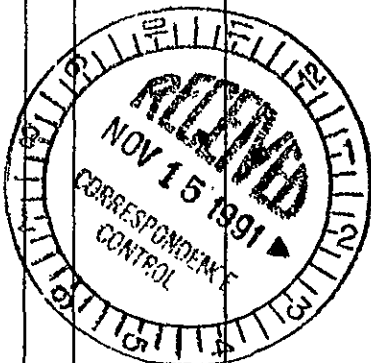
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